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**IDAPA 17  
TITLE 08  
CHAPTER 11**

**17.08.11 - IDAHO MINIMUM SAFETY STANDARDS AND PRACTICES  
FOR LOGGING -- SKIDDING AND YARDING**

**000. LEGAL AUTHORITY.**

Pursuant to the provisions of Section 72-508, Idaho Code, the Industrial Commission has the authority to promulgate and adopt reasonable rules for effecting the purposes of the Workers' Compensation Act. (7-1-97)

**001. TITLE AND SCOPE.**

These rules shall be cited as IDAPA 17.08.11, "Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- Skidding and Yarding," and shall be applicable to the logging industry in the state of Idaho. (7-1-97)

**002. WRITTEN INTERPRETATIONS.**

There are no written statements which pertain to the interpretation of these rules. (7-1-97)

**003. ADMINISTRATIVE APPEALS.**

There are no provisions for administrative appeal of these rules. The procedure for appeals in safety matters is prescribed by Sections 72-714 and 72-718 through 72-722, Idaho Code. (7-1-97)

**004. -- 008. (RESERVED)**

**009. DEFINITIONS.**

For definitions refer to IDAPA 17.08.01, "Idaho Minimum Safety Standards and Practices for Logging -- General Provisions," Section 007. (7-1-97)

**010. SKIDDING AND YARDING.**

**01. General Requirements. (7-1-97)**

**a.** All personnel shall wear approved head protection and proper clothing at all times in skidding and yarding. (7-1-97)

**b.** Getting on or off moving equipment is strictly prohibited. (7-1-97)

**c.** Equipment operators shall move rigging only on signal of authorized person. (7-1-97)

**d.** Workers shall at all times watch for and protect themselves and their fellow workers from side-winders, rolling logs, up ending logs, snags, and other hazards caused by the movement of equipment, logs and/or lines. (7-1-97)

**e.** Chokers should be placed near, but not closer than two (2) feet, from the ends of logs if possible. (7-1-97)

**f.** Choker holes shall be dug from the uphill side of a log if there is any danger of its rolling. (7-1-97)

**g.** Knots shall not be used to connect separate lengths of chain or cable. (7-1-97)

**h.** Chaser (hooker) shall not unhook logs (trees) until rigging has stopped and equipment operator is aware of his location. (7-1-97)

**i.** Riding on drag or logs or any part of equipment used in skidding and yarding except in the area of the driver's seat is prohibited. (7-1-97)

**j.** A tool handle, stick, iron bar, or similar object shall be used in guiding lines onto drums. Guiding lines with hands is prohibited. (7-1-97)

- k.** Make sure all personnel are in the clear before skidding turn, drag, log, or tree into landing. (7-1-97)
- l.** All personnel shall keep out of the bight of line and clear of running lines. (7-1-97)
- m.** Logs shall not be swung over personnel. (7-1-97)
- n.** Knot bumping should be done before log is loaded. (7-1-97)
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